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**From:** HarborComments <HarborComments@epa.gov>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 12, 2016 12:12 PM  
**To:** PortlandHarbor  
**Subject:** FW: Get the Poison out of our River

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"Nothing great was ever achieved without enthusiasm" (Ralph Waldo Emerson)

Please Note: I am currently on detail to the EPA Region 10 office in Portland, Oregon until July 23, 2016. Thank you!

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-----Original Message-----

From: KnowWho Services [mailto:noreply@knowwho.services]  
Sent: Monday, July 11, 2016 5:33 PM  
To: HarborComments <HarborComments@epa.gov>  
Subject: Get the Poison out of our River

Dear Portland Harbor Cleanup Public Comments,

Dear Ms. McCarthy and Members of Congress, Please allow me to preface this message some what differently.

I am a seventy year old native Oregonian .

AS a child I recall visiting Portland Firefighter Friends Living on the river when we could and did safely once a very long time ago swim in these waters.

I believe that this contemplates what will be the FIFTH TIME the river has cost tax payers MILLIONS of dollars as a super fund clean up sight.

MY personal question is: When will the costs be borne by the Municipalities, companies, and other major pollution contributors be held fiscally responsible, rather than the Tax payers providing the money for clean up X5?

The proposed cleanup of Portland Harbor is a big win for industry and a bad deal for the public. EPA's cleanup proposal tackles just 8% of a site area that is 100% toxic.

A more aggressive plan is needed to prevent even more harm to human health and the environment. On behalf of all people who rely on the river for food, recreation, employment and culture, I urge the EPA to implement a plan that:

- Moves quickly and sustainably reduces contaminants causing harm to Willamette and Columbia River resources
- Includes ongoing monitoring and cleanup upriver and downriver from the site
- Contributes to healthy fish that are safe to eat for all people
- Holds polluters accountable for creating a safer Portland Harbor

These elements get us closer to the plan our communities deserve.  
And I deserve a clean, safe Portland Harbor.

Sincerely,

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